

DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 24-26, 28-31, 33-35, 37-40, 42-44, 46-49, 51-66 are allowed.
2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Applicant claimed determining a network address for locating AV content fragments, said AV content having a logical model which describes a hierarchical representation comprising two or more levels of detail for said AV content, wherein the logical model is based on at least one of time blocks and spatial regions at a lowest level of the levels of detail, and wherein the logical model is adapted to address the fragment of said AV content. See Applicant's remarks, 3/3/2008. Applicant further generated a fragment identifier for the AV content fragment corresponding to at least one of the above levels of detail. The use of the logical model of a hierarchical representation comprising two or more levels of detail for AV content, wherein the logical model is based on at least one of time blocks and spatial regions at a lowest level of the levels of detail, wherein the logical model is adapted to address the fragment of said AV content, and using that specific logical model to generate a fragment identifier for addressing a fragment of AV content, is not taught in the prior art.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

3. As allowable subject matter has been indicated, applicant's reply must either comply with all formal requirements or specifically traverse each requirement not complied with. See 37 CFR 1.111(b) and MPEP § 707.07(a).

Drawings

4. The drawings are objected to because of the presence of hyperlinks. Hyperlinks are not allowed as part of the specification. Corrected drawing sheets in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d) are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. Any amended replacement drawing sheet should include all of the figures appearing on the immediate prior version of the sheet, even if only one figure is being amended. The figure or figure number of an amended drawing should not be labeled

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as “amended.” If a drawing figure is to be canceled, the appropriate figure must be removed from the replacement sheet, and where necessary, the remaining figures must be renumbered and appropriate changes made to the brief description of the several views of the drawings for consistency. Additional replacement sheets may be necessary to show the renumbering of the remaining figures. Each drawing sheet submitted after the filing date of an application must be labeled in the top margin as either “Replacement Sheet” or “New Sheet” pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(d). If the changes are not accepted by the examiner, the applicant will be notified and informed of any required corrective action in the next Office action. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

Specification

5. The disclosure is objected to because it contains an embedded hyperlink and/or other form of browser-executable code. Applicant is required to delete the embedded hyperlink and/or other form of browser-executable code. See MPEP § 608.01.

Conclusion

6. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

7. Kumar US 6,473,396

8. Kaiser et al. US 6,473,804

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jeffrey R. Swearingen whose telephone number is (571)272-3921. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:30-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jason Cardone can be reached on 571-272-3933. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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